

REMARKS

Claims 26-29, 51-59, and 80-84 are pending in the present application. Claims 1-25, 30-50, and 60-79 have been canceled.

In the decision by the Appeal Board dated April 27, 2010, the rejection of claims 23, 26-29, and 51-59 was reversed, and the rejection of claims 24 and 25 was affirmed. The Appeal Board entered a new ground of rejection of claim 23.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 41.50(b)(1), Applicants elect to reopen prosecution. Claims 23-25 have been canceled, and claim 26 has been rewritten in independent form to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.


Applicants believe that all pending claims are patentable over the cited references, and a Notice of allowability is therefore earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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